



The Green Thumb

A Newsletter of Extension Horticultural Activities and Events
For York County Extension Volunteers

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October 1, 2002

Calendar Of Events

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| Oct 1 st , Tuesday | 9am-12, Master Gardener Training, Disease & Diagnosing, Mike Likins |
| Oct 2 nd , Wednesday | 9:30am-12, Using Office Resources Class, Extension Office (See Article) |
| Oct 2 nd , Wednesday | 10am-9pm, VA State Fair, Master Gardener Table (See Article) |
| Oct 3 rd , Thursday | 9am-12, Master Gardener Training, IPM, Joel Bunn |
| Oct 8 th , Tuesday | 9am-12, MG Training, Perennials, Annuals, Peggy Krapf, Landscape, Kathy Duncan |
| Oct 8 th , Tuesday | 9:30am, Programming Meeting, St Lukes |
| Oct 9 th , Wednesday | 9am, Organizational meeting, Web Based Landscape Maintenance, Extension Office |
| Oct 10 th , Thursday | 9:30am-12, Learning Garden, Divide and Conquer, (See Article) |
| Oct 10 th , Thursday | 9am-12, MG Training, Water Quality, Dr. Reed, Mosquito Control, Tom Gallagher |
| Oct 12 th , Saturday | 2pm, Fred Heutte Foundation, Urban Gardener Lecture Series |
| Oct 15 th , Tuesday | 9am-12, MG Training, Trees, Jackie Lohr, Jim Eagle, Rob Ferrell |
| Oct 15th, Tuesday | Deadline for November's Green Thumb |
| Oct 17 th , Thursday | 9:30am-12, Learning Garden, Divide and Conquer, (See Article) |
| Oct 17 th , Thursday | 9am-12, MG Training, Shrubs and Ground Covers, Joanne Gordon, Joanne Roberts |
| Oct 22 nd , Tuesday | 9am-12, MG Training, Vegetables, Wayne Moyer, Herbs, Laura Viancour |
| Oct 24 th , Thursday | 9:30am-12, Learning Garden, Divide and Conquer, (See Article) |
| Oct 24 th , Thursday | 9am-12, MG Training, Pruning, Marilyn Moren |
| Oct 29 th , Tuesday | 9am-12, MG Training, Fruit Trees, Small Fruit, Rich Burney |
| Oct 31 st , Thursday | 9am-12, MG Training, Containers, Janel Leatherman, Water Gardens, Barbara Schuler |
| Nov 5 th , Tuesday | 9am-12, MG Training, Risk Management, Dr Hubbard, Bulbs, Brent Heath |
| Nov 6 th , Wednesday | 9:30am-12, Using Office Resources, Extension Office (See Article) |
| Nov 12 th , Tuesday | 9:30am, Programming Meeting, Introduction of new MG's, St Lukes |
| Dec 4 th , Wednesday | 9:30am-12, Using Office Resources, Extension Office (See Article) |
| Dec 10 th , Tuesday | 9:30am, Holiday Luncheon with Speaker, St. Lukes |

Thursdays Work/Learn Day in the Learning Garden 9:30 –11:30 a.m.

For additions/corrections to the Calendar of Events contact Jody at 890-4940 or Teresa Bennett at 875-0026, e-mail: BennettTeresaH@aol.com. The deadline for the Green Thumb is ALWAYS the 15th of the month, no exception.

E-mail changes: If you have changes to any of the methods of communication to you please notify Jody. Jody will pass the word. We want to keep in contact with you. These changes will be posted to the weekly e-mails and will be in the Green Thumb.

Master Gardener Mission Statement: *Our mission, as trained volunteers in partnership with the York County, Virginia Cooperative Extension Agent, is to provide horticultural educational opportunities to the public through research-based horticultural programs and activities to enhance our environment, lives and community.*

Notes from Jim

Using Resources in the Office

Classes to be held October 2, November 6 and December 4 from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon. Limit 5 per session, pre-register at 890-4940. This very popular program is designed to acquaint master gardeners with the resources that are in the Extension Office, to do research, study information, prepare for exhibits, and to respond to telephone questions. This morning session will acquaint the volunteers with the location of information and files, become familiar with phone procedures, learn how to use specific CD programs on the computer and other information that is in the Extension Office.

We are approaching the end of this Master Gardener year. Thanks to everyone for performing their jobs and making this year such a great program year. When January arrives, Master Gardener Interns will be positioned in their new roles. In order to plan for the positions that need to be filled, in the November newsletter, I will have a form that you will return to me in order to let me know what program you are interested in participating in or leading in 2003. I will need to have this information in order to put you in the right position. Be looking for that form in the November newsletter.

We have been asked to attach the hours sheet to the newsletter so you can print it all out at one time. So as a part of this newsletter you will have the order form for clothing and the time sheet. Recording your volunteer hours is important for two reasons, 1) because we use these numbers with our reports, 2) you have dedicated so many hours to this program. When I see so many hours compiled by you all it is a good feeling and I appreciate your dedication to the mission of Extension and Master Gardeners. Thank you.

Terry's Notes

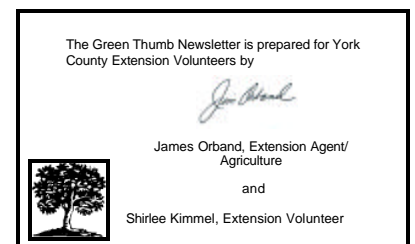
Congratulations to everyone who received awards at the Sept Programming Meeting. I consider it such an honor to be associated with so many people who are willing to give of their time and talents to make our county such a great place to live. It was very nice to have MG trainees currently taking the MG class join us at the Programming Meeting. The new class is reportedly going very well and remember you can sit in on any of the classes. Please keep these dates in mind for the upcoming meetings: October 8, November 12 (meet new MG Interns and plant exchange), and December 10 (speaker).

Virginia State Fair

York County Master Gardeners have been asked to occupy a Master Gardener table at the Virginia State Fair in Richmond on Wednesday, October 2. We will receive twelve free tickets for that day. The fair hours are 10:00 a.m. to about 9:00 p.m. Sybil Przypek will receive the tickets and information. When she has the information, she will contact the volunteers, and set up a schedule to cover the entire day. We thank Mary Francis Baker, Teresa Bennett, Dana Burgett, Agnes Evans, Nimu Kapadia, Rene Kauder, Ricki Noble, Martha Wilkins, Evelyn Anne Pinckney, Sybil and Walter Przypek, Lana Rackley, Helen and Gene Truskett, and alternates Patricia Winters, Denise Smith, Terry Hanson and Margaret Cotton for volunteering.

Friends of Fred Heutte Foundation Urban Gardener Lecture Series

On Saturday, October 12, 2002, 2 PM, the Urban Gardener Lecture Series continues at the Fred Heutte Center when Brian O'Neil presents "Trees & Shrubs for Small Urban Gardens". Mr. O'Neil is a landscape designer and the owner of Southern Meadows Landscapes, Inc. He will share his secrets for selecting the right trees and shrubs for small urban gardens. Size and proportion are the secrets in selecting just the right tree or shrub for small urban gardens. Learn which small trees and shrubs do best for Tidewater gardens! The program is free for Master Gardeners. Call 441-2513 to register, get more information, or directions.



Orband Receives Award

When next you are in Jim's office, take a look at the nice plaque on the wall, just to the right of his door. We are so proud that he has received this prestigious award to recognize him as **VIRGINIA VOLUNTEER ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR 2002**. His 24 years of service to us here in the county, and his outstanding leadership for the master gardener program, have earned our respect and gratitude. It's nice to see others appreciate his contributions as well. Thanks Jim!

Divide and Conquer

Calling all York County MG's, new and mature. The Learning Garden has a great opportunity for you to get some extra plants for your garden. We want you to join us out in the L.G. to divide and pot up plants for the spring sale. As we all know, fall is the best time to do this type of task. We would like to invite you to the garden on the following Thursdays in Oct. 10, 17, & 24. We meet from 9:30 to 12:00 noon. Bring your gloves, a small trowel, maybe clippers (as we would like to do a little propagating too), and a sack lunch. After each time we can have a lunch in the garden and talk about plants!

Jim Orband will do a hands on propagation demonstration on October 17 at 9:30 a.m. much like the talk he did but have us do it along with him.

From what we pot up, we would then like to offer a few plants for you to take home and try. Therefore, we know we will need some more pots. If you would bring gallon or 1/2 gallon pots, or larger, to the garden throughout the next several weeks, we will have enough for everything. Any questions, call 867-8075 or 867-8988.

Order of the FORK

The final induction for 2002 was the evening of 27 August and witnessed by Evelyn Pinckney...On 28 August, FORK members/master gardeners Agnes Evans, Jim Orband and Evelyn Pinckney enjoyed fellowship and dinner with some teens...

Embroidered Clothing Orders

Embroidered clothing items can be ordered now. An Order Form is attached for your use. All order forms must be received by October 31, 2002. If you have any questions, please contact Evelyn Parker at parkerew@aol.com or 868-0496.

Ideas for Holiday Gift Giving

Looking for Christmas presents for gardeners. We have textbooks at the Extension Office. Taylor's Gardening Techniques (about 50 remaining and used in the Home Gardener Program) is selling for \$11.00 and The Great Plant Guide (3 remaining and used in the Master Gardener Training) is selling for \$12.00. I need to get rid of this inventory. Please make checks payable to the: York 4-H Activities Fund.

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We're on the Web!
www.yorkcounty.gov/vce

ORDERING DEADLINE
OCTOBER 31, 2002

NAME _____ **PHONE #** _____

POLO SHIRT (Forest Green) S-XL \$26.00, XXL \$28.00, XXXL \$29.00
1st time purchase: S-XL \$21.00, XXL \$23.00, XXXL \$24.00
Quantity _____ Size _____ With Pocket _____ W/Out Pocket _____ \$ _____
Personalize (Name) _____ \$ 6.50
Placement of Name: _____ (above left pocket, top right, top left sleeve, etc.)
(YCMG Logo on left)

SWEATSHIRT (Natural color, 50/50, 9 oz) S-XL \$26, XXL \$28.00, XXXL \$29.00
Quantity _____ Size _____ \$ _____
Personalize (Name) _____ \$ 6.50
Placement of Name: _____ (top right, top left sleeve, etc.)
(YCMG Logo on left)

ANORAK PULLOVER (poly/cotton) Hunter Green, half front zipper, water repellent,
hidden hood S-XL \$35.00, XXL \$37.00 XXXL \$38.00
Quantity _____ Size _____ \$ _____
Personalize (Name) _____ \$ 6.50
Placement of Name: _____ (YCMG Logo on left/personalization on right)

WORK SHIRT (100% cotton) Stone bleached, long sleeved, left pocket, 6-5 oz weight
S 42"-44", M 46"-48", L 50"-52", XL 54"-56", XXL 58", XXXL 60"
Quantity _____ Size _____ S-XL \$26.00, XXL \$28.00, XXXL \$29.00 \$ _____
Personalize (Name) _____ \$ 6.50
Placement of Name: _____
(YCMG Logo on left/personalization - above left pocket, sleeve, cuff, etc.)

WORK APRON (dark green heavy twill w/adjustable bib and three 8+" pockets
at hem) M 24" long and 28" wide \$16.50, L 26" long and 30" wide \$18.00
Quantity _____ Size _____ \$ _____
Personalize (Name) _____ \$ 6.50
Placement of Name: _____
(YCMG Logo at top right corner/personalization on pocket, below logo, left corner)

HAT BAND Hunter Green \$5.00
Quantity _____ Size _____ \$ _____

CAP (Beige, golf style) \$15.00, One size fits all. YCMG logo in center of cap
Quantity _____ Size _____ \$ _____

TOTE BAG (White w/green trim) \$24.50 YCMG Logo on front, Name on back
Quantity _____ Name _____ \$ _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO **YORK COUNTY 4-H ACTIVITY FUND**

Send check with order form to:

Evelyn W. Parker

27 Dryden Drive

Poquoson, VA 23662 (parkerew@aol.com/868-0496)

TOTAL \$ _____

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OCTOBER 31, 2002

UNISEX SIZES Chest Measurement

S 34"- 36", M 38"- 40", L 41"- 43", XL 44"- 46", XXL 48"- 50", XXXL 52"- 54"

YORK COUNTY MASTER GARDENER TIME SHEET

| NAME: | | | | | GRAND TOTAL TO DATE | | |
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| PHONE: | | | | | YEAR TO DATE | | |
| E-MAIL: | | | | | | | |
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| | | TOTAL THIS MONTH ➡ | | | | | |

TIME SPENT INPUT EXAMPLE

1 ¼ hours equals 1.25 hours 1 ½ hours equals 1.5 hours 1 ¾ hours equals 1.75 hours

* **FISCAL YEAR:** June 1 to May 31

CATEGORIES

1) Community Outreach - Any activity that involves the Master Gardener giving direct contact with the public to help solve their educational needs individually or in groups.

2) Continuing Education - Any activity which involves/engages the Master Gardener in continuing their learning experiences that will benefit them in the delivery of the Virginia Cooperative Extension program. Activities include attending educational programs that enhance your ability to serve and become proficient as a master gardener.

3) Administrative Support - Planning and executing tasks that ready the educational program for presenting to the public.

4) Training - Any activity where the Master Gardener is involved in developing/organizing/coordinating an educational program for the new Master Gardeners or for internal use.

5) Planning - Activities which involve Master Gardeners in planning and organizing educational programs.

CATEGORIES/ACTIVITIES

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| <p>1) Community Outreach - Any activity that involves the Master Gardener giving direct contact with the public to help solve their educational needs individually or in groups. Activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching or presenting educational information (including pruning, lawns, vegetables) • Explaining about Cooperative Extension • Demonstrating planting techniques • Responding to Horticultural phone calls and walk-ins including research efforts • Promoting educational programs • Moderating any educational programs (M.G. class, Hort Extravaganza) • Learning Garden | <p>2) Continuing Education - (MG is receiving the training) Any activity which involves/engages the Master Gardener in continuing their learning experiences that will benefit them in the delivery of the Virginia Cooperative Extension program. Activities include attending educational programs that enhance your ability to serve and become proficient as a master gardener. Educational programs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virginia Professional Horticulture Conference • Virginia Flower and Garden Show • Subject matter educational meetings • Annual gardening symposiums • Master Gardener College • Educational Trips and Garden Tours |
| <p>3) Administrative Support - Planning and executing tasks that ready the educational program for presenting to the public. Tasks include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinating program activities • Gathering publications for educational programs • Copying/duplicating materials • Calling Master Gardeners or program participants • Proof reading and correcting rough drafts • Relaying information • Recording and reporting on checking account balances • Delivering materials • Sorting, shelving and processing unit library • Collecting, recording, reporting volunteer hours <div data-bbox="105 1528 748 1829"> <p>Please turn-in time sheets monthly by mail, e-mail, fax, or on foot.</p> <p>Virginia Cooperative Extension York County Office 100 County Drive PO Box 532 Yorktown, Virginia 23690-0532 Office (757) 890-4940 * Fax (757) 890-4033 E-mail - ex199@vt.edu</p> </div> | <p>4) Training of Others - Any activity where the Master Gardener is involved in developing/organizing/coordinating an educational program for new Master Gardeners or for internal use. Activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting to plan • Coordinating volunteers into committees • Follow up conversations for committee action <p>5) Planning - Activities involving Master Gardeners in planning and organizing educational programs. Some educational programs include but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arbor Day • Pruning/Lawn Clinics • Horticultural Extravaganza • Training • Video programs • Master Gardener Program Meetings <p>Note: Veteran MGs must perform 20 hours of volunteer work in any category listed above as well as 8 hours of continuing education per year to retain MG designation.</p> |